

*The media specialist wants to help struggling readers by engaging them in high interest novels; however, her budget was minimal and she cannot afford to add any new novels to the media center without sacrificing other needs.*

*The council is unaware of the current status of performance in the school. The principal assures each member that department chairs have a handle on assessments and that teachers are using data from these assessments to drive their instruction.*

*Several reading teachers have asked to participate in a professional development training, which would equip them with new strategies to promote reading in several content areas; however, there is not enough room in the department's budget to make this doable.*

*Although parent involvement has been proven to increase student achievement, parent involvement is lackluster at best. Parents are invited to attend academically charged events at school; however, the primary concern is filling seats at athletic events.*